

REMARKS

It is submitted that these claims, as originally presented, are patentably distinct over the prior art cited by the Examiner, and that these claims were in full compliance with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §112. Changes to these claims, as presented herein, are not made for the purpose of patentability within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §101, §102, §103 or §112. Rather, these changes are made simply for clarification and to round out the scope of protection to which Applicants are entitled.

Amended claims 9-14 are in this application.

Claims 9-14 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite. Claims 9-14 as presented herein are believed not to be indefinite. Accordingly, it is respectfully requested that the above 112 rejection of claims 9-14 be withdrawn.

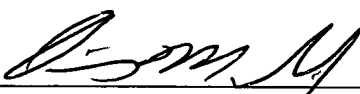
The Examiner stated that claims 9-14 would be allowable if rewritten or amended to overcome the rejection(s) under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph. Since claims 9-14 presented herein are believed to overcome the 112 rejection as previously mentioned, it is believed that claims 9-14 are allowable.

In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that all of the claims in this application are allowable, and an early official notice to that effect is solicited.

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